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Subject: 1501 and 1503 Enfield Road properties zoning change request – Case #C14-2010-0113

City of Austin Rezoning Department and the City Council,

Re: 1501 and 1503 Enfield Road properties zoning change request – Case #C14-2010-0113

From: Roya & Jerry Johnson at 1401 Marshall Lane

Dear Mr. Clark Patterson,

We are homeowners within 500 feet these subject properties at 1501 and 1503 Enfield Road. We live at 1401 Marshall Lane. In last 10 years of living there we have dealt with huge parking issue partially due to usage of these two subject properties when the property was used by Austin Children Shelter. We wanted to be good neighbors and let the children of shelter to get to live in the residential neighborhood; therefore we dealt with huge parking problems. In many occasion we were not able to park or get into our drive ways. Now that Austin Children Shelter has moved to their new home; we want continue to keep the street as residential neighborhood and not allow any kind of office or condominium project rezoning.

I am sure you are aware many years ago homeowners at north side of Enfield & Marshall were able to close the Marshall Lane and make it a private cul-de-sac due to parking problems. The reason they did that was because of being at UT shuttle route students use Marshall and surrounding streets as their parking lot. North side of Enfield residence wanted to prevent the UT student and also they did not want to be associated with any kind of shelter in the neighborhood and parking problems. Unfortunately, that happened before we bought our property. I do not know how they were able to pull that clearly they had the cloud to get the City to allow that to happen, this diverted more of the parking problems to the south side of the Enfield and Marshall.

Residences of south side of Marshall are left to handle all the traffic and parking which occurs due to UT shuttle stop, the City usage of Palma Plaza island & area business shortage of parking problems. We get to be parking lot for the City of Austin when ever the City uses the island at Palma Plaza for any kind of utilities or service construction on top of all that all the employees of the businesses at West Lynn park in and around our neighborhood because they do not have adequate parking.

We all at that neighborhood have been affected by the other eye sour project at corner of West Lynn and Enfield which has been setting there unfinished and abundant by owners for over seven (7) years. The City should have never permitted that project, The City did it and we the residences are left to see and deal with the eye sour every day.

In conclusion we absolutely do not want to see another project like that or similar to it especially office project at the corner of Marshall and Enfield. My recommendation will be to change use of both of these properties to single family residence or 2 unit townhome projects per lot max which is consistent with other properties in the neighborhood. Also close the Marshall Lane at Enfield making it a cul-de-sac like it was permitted at north side of the street to make it safe for children to play. There are several families with children in and around Marshall and love to see that happen.

Please keep me posted and also let me know the steps to file formal objection,

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